

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE BUSINESS AND LABOR STANDING COMMITTEE**

215 Senate Building, Utah State Capitol Complex

February 23, 2016

Members Present: Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Deidre M. Henderson
Sen. Karen Mayne
Sen. Todd Weiler

Members Excused: Sen. Curtis S. Bramble, Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Ralph Okerlund

Staff Present: Mr. Joseph T. Wade, Policy Analyst
Ms. Karen Allred, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Sen. Weiler, Acting Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. He announced that **3rd Sub. S.B. 58, Nurse Practitioner Amendments**, will not be heard today.

S.B. 185 Labor Remedy Amendments (J. Iwamoto)

Sen. Iwamoto explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Henderson moved to adopt the following amendment:

1. Page 11, Lines 312 through 321:

312 (iv) costs ~~{f}~~ . ~~{j}~~ ~~{;and}~~
313 ~~{(e)}~~ ~~(10)~~ ~~{-except as provided in Subsection (10), if the}~~ ~~If a~~ discriminatory
314 practice ~~described in Subsection (9)~~ includes
315 discrimination in matters of compensation, ~~the presiding officer may~~ provide, to the
316 complaining party, in addition to the
317 amount available to the complaining party under Subsection (9)(b), an additional amount equal
318 to the amount of back pay available to the complaining party under Subsection (9)(b)(ii) ~~{z}~~
319 ~~{(10)-The presiding officer shall award additional damages under Subsection (9)(e)}~~
320 unless a respondent shows that:
321 (a) the act or omission that gave rise to the order was in good faith; and
322 (b) the respondent had reasonable grounds to believe that the act or omission was not
discrimination in matters of compensation under this chapter.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Davis absent for the vote.

Spoke for the bill: Kass Harstad, Attorney
Jean Hill, Catholic Diocese

MOTION: Sen. Henderson moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 118 1st Sub. Public Access of Administrative Action Amendments (*Rep. B. Greene*)

Rep. Greene explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Francine Giani, Utah Department of Commerce
Todd Kiser, Utah Insurance Department

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Henderson assumed the Committee Chair.

S.B. 178 Economic Development Revisions (*C. Bramble*)

Sen. Weiler explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Theresa Foxley, Governor's Office of Economic Development
Richard Nelson, President and CEO, Utah Technology Council

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 113 Health Care Sharing Ministry Amendments (*M. Kennedy*)

Rep. Kennedy explained the bill to the committee assisted by Sen. Weiler.

Spoke to the bill: Todd Kiser, Insurance Commissioner

Spoke for the bill: Michael Sharman, Liberty Health Share
Luke Miller, Mennonite Pastor, Health Care Ministry
Thomas Butler, Health Care Sharing Ministry
Conner Boyack, President, Libertas Institute

Spoke against the bill: Dr. Howard Russell, Health Care Ministry
Joel Noble, Alliance of Health Care Sharing Ministries
Keith Hopkinson, Christian Health Care Ministry
Kelly Atkinson, Executive Director, Health Insurance Association
Chu Soh, Christian Health Care Ministry

Denise Bryce, Samaritan Ministries
Bud Lethbridge
Chuck Berckel, Baptist Pastor

MOTION: Sen. Davis moved to table the bill.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion failed with Sen. Henderson and Sen. Weiler voting in favor and Sen. Davis and Sen. Mayne voting in opposition.

The original motion to table the bill passed with Sen. Davis, Sen. Henderson, and Sen. Mayne voting in favor and Sen. Weiler voting in opposition.

S.B. 186 Air Quality Incentives (*C. Bramble*)

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to adopt **1st Sub. S.B. 186**. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Weiler explained the bill to the committee assisted by Teresa Foxley, Governor's Office of Economic Development.

Spoke for the bill: Jeff Edwards, Economic Corporation of Utah

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion was withdrawn.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Henderson adjourned the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

Sen. Todd Weiler, Acting Chair